

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

in re Application of.) \
Ritsuo FUJII et al.) Group Art Unit: 2852
Application No.: 10/804,164) Examiner: Sandra L. Brase
Filed: March 19, 2004))
For: TONER SUPPLYING APPARATUS AND IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS) Confirmation No.: 7426)
Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450	

STATUS INQUIRY

According to our records, the above-identified application was filed on March 19, 2004 and an Information Disclosure Statement was filed on December 21, 2004. To date, Applicants have only received the Filing Receipt, Recorded Assignment, and Notice of Publication of Application.

In view of these circumstances, Applicants' undersigned representative respectfully requests that the Office advise him of the status of this application as soon as possible in order to determine whether further action by Applicants is required at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: March 30, 2005

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Sir:

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